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The Honorable Myron D. Jackson Chairman, Committee of the Whole President, 32nd Legislature Legislature of the U.S. Virgin Islands Capitol Building, P.O. Box 1690 St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands 00804

Dear Chairman Jackson,

This is in response to your kind letter of invite to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Region 2 Caribbean Environmental Protection Division Director, Carmen Guerrero asking her to testify on July 20 before the Legislative Committee of the Whole of the U.S. Virgin Islands Legislature regarding Limetree Bay Terminals, LLC and Limetree Bay Refinery, LLC. Ms. Guerrero is away this week, and I am responding on her behalf.

While EPA will not be able to send a representative to your hearing, we would be happy to provide answers for the record to any questions you may have.

EPA has a strong partnership with the U.S. Virgin Islands government and works collaboratively on the environmental stewardship of the Virgin Islands. We remain committed to working with our territorial, community and business partners safeguard human health and the environment in the U.S. Virgin Islands, while being mindful of economic needs.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions for the record or need further information. I can be reached via email and phone at mears.mary@epa.gov or (212) 637-3673; or at the physical address US EPA Region 2, 26th floor, 290 Broadway, New York, NY 10007.

Sincerely,

Mary Mears

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